in the Bottom Drawer. ips and tops and pieces of strings, hoes which no little feet wear, ta of ribbon and broken rings, se of golden hair. tie dresses folded away ght of the sunny day. unty mokets that never are worn. toys and models of ships, books and pictures all faded and

ed by the finger tips hands that have fallen to dust, to think that the Lord is just. g of beterness fills my soul e, when I try to pray, sper has spared so many flowers h mise away. st doubt if the Lord can know per's Seart can love them so.

k of the many weary ones waiting and watching to-night r retern of faltering leet . straffed from the paths of right; larkered their lives by shame and

mared of the tempter have gathor far in distant climes,

sh by fire and flood; hands are black with the direct lled the wrath of God.

her's song has smoothed them to ulled them to slumber upon her

that never grew old, they are waiting and watching tor y with the streets of gold, om the cares of the weary years,

think of my children three.

row, and sin, and war, k my God with falling tears, ninga in the bottom dra ver. EMS OF INTEREST. lish farmers, 477 were bank-

o newspaper speaks of a man sed by the "emphatic gestures"

877, 815 in 1878, and 1,431 in

City Derrick says that all the in the world will never prochine to tell a woman's age. an old saying that "leap-year ar." + Hawkeye. It ought to year for pairs. - Philadelphia

al amount of steel and iron annually in the world, is, of

ple, the Minnesota farmer is 30,000 acres of land and 31 .of grasshoppers. - Burlington all boy who can ride a three-

elocipede in the hall and beat the same time, has qualities to make home happy when duction, as well as for scien-

the spiary; next comes Swithen England and France. stistics show that less than h of the 40,000,000 acres of issouri are under cultivation. has 4,000 miles of railway, 00 postoffices, and 10,000 com-

## Tough Bear Story.

iting from a viilage in Pike a., tells this tough bear story: little cahin near this village. ne of the best hunters in Pike

d his reminiscences are pecuood still in the path an' looked to mince meat, sez he. Jest

hee I be.' Jest then the hang me 'f that bar didn't

ve a ter'ble roar an' let go I s'pase you'll hardly b'lieve merset in th' air an' light on Yes, sir, it's a solem' fac' ar fell on hiz head so hard roke hiz neck. The whole so cussed com'cal thet I got fell clean off the limb I was an' nearly broke my neck. com down outen the tree. hat made the bar tumble" t me a minnit an' then pulls er box. Wall, sir, that ar' rs calls him boy, though he's
it year ol' comin' hay time—
he ol' woman's pepper box,
nt'lize her, an' that's what ite. He sprinkled the pepper ite. He sprinkled the pepper ar's eyes ah' nearly drove ar's eyes ah' nearly drove as so he dropped. But the part of the story is the dog. an Case went back after the hoss an' wagon I'll be blasted t fin that of yeller houn' up e yellin' like sin. Truth, sir, as, sir, that ar' dog he'd been at he just clim' that tree inkin'. Mebbe you think I'm I say that har weighed five in fifty poun'. But it's the I never lied yet, an' I'm get to learn, fur I'm nigh seventy

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silk, values would never have risen to their present points but for the extensive use of silks in blending with other manufactures of silks to blending with other manufactures of silk goods, as in the soft, flexible goods so acceptable for ladies' wear, while satin, for which Persian and Bengal organiaes and the sature, and can approve the face, has come large, into the saturation of silk goods, the Peterson mills, with their 12,000 hands, producing to the total annual value of silk goods, the Peterson mills with their 12,000 hands, producing to the total annual value of silk goods, the Peterson mills with their 12,000 hands, producing to the total annual value of silk goods, manual value of silk goods, and the soft of the saturation of the markets. It is a singular feature in the production of rilk that so far this has had no tendency to increase in volume. The Asiatic countries, whence the bulk of the supply is derived, are stagnant in this as in other industries. In Europe, with the more extensive cuttivation of the mulberry tree, the rayages disease made in the silk worm have tool upon the yield. It would seem that it is to California that the world hereafter would have to look for the garriary and quality needed to supplement the advancing demand of course and the saturation of the

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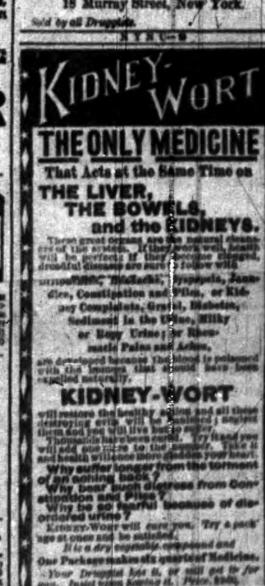
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